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1. The Bulgarian armed forces had the following strength as of March 1949: 25X1X

Army	70,000
Air Force	7,500
Navy	3,500
	<u>81,000</u>
Communist militia	25,000
	<u>106,000</u>

2. The Bulgarian ground forces are organized into four armies, ten infantry divisions, one armored division, and one cavalry division. The units are distributed as follows:

Headquarters, First Army

1 Infantry Division
7 Infantry Division

Sofia
Sofia
Vratsa

Headquarters, Second Army

2 Infantry Division
8 Infantry Division

Plovdiv
Plovdiv
Nevrokop

Headquarters, Third Army

3 Infantry Division
4 Infantry Division

Sliven
Sliven
Shumen

Headquarters, Fourth Army

5 Infantry Division
6 Infantry Division
9 Infantry Division

Pleven
Ruse
Urava
Unknown

Location and assignment of 10 Infantry Division are unknown.

1 Armored Division

1 Armored Brigade
2 Armored Brigade
3 Armored Brigade

Sofia
Sofia
Plovdiv
Kazanlik

Cavalry Division

1 Cavalry Brigade
2 Cavalry Brigade
3 Cavalry Brigade

Sofia
Sofia
Yambol
Shumen

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